

## Message Text

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TAGS: SOPN, PPDC, SY, US

SUBJECT: SYRIAN MEDIA PROMINENTLY ANNOUNCES ASSAD'S CONGRATULATIONS  
TO US ON INDEPENDENCE DAY

1. ALL SYRIAN MEDIA GAVE PROMINENT ATTENTION TO CONGRATULATORY  
MESSAGE PRESIDENT ASSAD SENT PRESIDENT CARTER ON THE OCCASION  
OF INDEPENDENCE DAY. MESSAGE FOLLOWS:  
BEGIN QUOTE:

ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF THE SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC AND  
ON MY OWN BEHALF, I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS MY SINCERE  
FELICITATIONS TO YOUR EXCELLENCY AND TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE  
ON THE OCCASION OF INDEPENDENCE DAY. PLEASE ACCEPT MY  
BEST WISHES FOR YOUR PERSONAL HEALTH AND HAPPINESS AND FOR  
THE EVER-INCREASING PROSPERITY OF YOUR PEOPLE.

I AM HOPEFUL THAT THE YEARS TO COME WILL WITNESS MORE  
ACHIEVEMENTS FOR THE FURTHERANCE OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AND  
FOR THE FURTHERANCE OF HUMAN PROGRESS IN GENERAL.

WARMEST PERSONAL REGARDS.

(SIGNED) HAFEZ AL-ASSAD

END QUOTE.

2. WE HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED OFFICIAL TEXT OF MESSAGE  
FROM PRESIDENCY.  
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